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| Serial No.: 10/074,245 | : | |
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| Filed: February 12, 2002 | : | |
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| For: SPILL PROOF SHELF | : | |
| ASSEMBLY METHOD AND | : | |
| STRUCTURE | : | |

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2. Applicant
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(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a) _____ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

| Extension for response within: | Other than small entity Fee | Small entity Fee (if applicable) |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| _____ first month | \$ 110.00 | \$ 5.00 |
| _____ second month | \$ 420.00 | \$ 210.00 |
| _____ third month | \$ 950.00 | \$ 475.00 |
| _____ fourth month | \$1,480.00 | \$ 740.00 |
| _____ fifth month | \$2,010.00 | \$1,005.00 |

Fee: \$ _____

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

_____ An extension of _____ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$ _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ _____

OR

- (b) ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|----|--|
| TOTAL INDEP. | | MINUS | = | x \$9 = \$ | | x \$18 = \$ |
| | | MINUS | = | x \$43 = \$ | | x \$86 = \$ |
| — FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM | | | | + \$145 = \$ | | + \$290 = \$ |
| | | | | TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$ | OR | TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$ |

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